

**Richmond Bridge Association
Unit 109
Board of Directors Meeting
May 4th, 2013**

Board Members Present: Paul Anderson, Becky Duty, Barry Fratkin, Harry Gellis, Ed Kinlaw, Randall Holden, George Lewis, Pat McDermott, Paul McGowan and David Prior
Not present: Richard Deyerle, Steve Chaplin, and Linda MacCleave

Ed Kinlaw brought the meeting to order at 10:20 A.M.

Prior to the meeting, there was a fifteen minute presentation by Chris Best from Dogwood Terrace, a Holiday Retirement Community, which is located at the corner of Three Chopt and Gaskins. Ed, Dave and Barry will look at the location in June to see if it is useful for holding unit or charity games.

The Finance Committee submitted a report on their recommendation for the purchase of BridgeMates. Discussion followed concerning the method for sharing/leasing the machines within the unit. Paul McGowan made a motion, which was passed, that we approve in principle to purchase the bridge mates and have Ed appoint a committee and give them a deadline to establish the guidelines for the leasing of the bridge mates. Ed appointed Harry, Barry, George, Paul Anderson and Paul McGowan to the committee for determining the number of bridge mates we will purchase and how they will be shared with clubs throughout the unit.

Treasurer Report: Paul Anderson distributed profit and loss reports for January through December 2012, January 2013, February 2012 and March 2013 as well as a balance sheet as of March 31st, 2013. We have total assets of \$45,627.67

Non Life Master Sectional: Attendance was down, so we did a little better than break even. Fewer people than usual came to the team game.

Congeniality award: Ed took nomination from the floor after which a paper ballots were collected. A winner was selected to receive the award at the May dinner.

May Dinner: Ed apologized that the mailing did not go out in a timely manner. Tables are at the Moose Lodge. The meal at the Non-Life Master Sectional was fabulous and the same chef will be there to handle the Wednesday night May dinner.

June open sectional: Barry handed out a report detailing the reasons for the change of date and location for the sectional. He is concerned about attendance because the date is close to the regional and it is at a new location. Blacksburg is having a sectional the same day. Paul Anderson suggested giving less free plays, but Barry can't change the number as most of them have been set by precedence. He stated that we need the help of the people who volunteer their time and this is one way to make sure we have enough volunteers to get the job done. Barry is hopeful that Magnuson can be a home for a while because facility has more space, more parking and better restrooms. The Comfort Inn was impossible to work with.

Hampton Roads Trophy game: June 28th. Ed will be recruiting teams.

District 6 goodwill committee: Ed elected to appoint Bob MacCleave as this year's goodwill member.

Grand National Teams: Before next board meeting, George proposes having a committee to support a travel fee to help defray costs for going to the next round to promote people playing in these games. Richard will be asked to head the committee.

Steve Chaplin is on a sabbatical and resigned from the board. Ed will select a replacement.

No additional business, meeting adjourned at 11:50

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Duty
Secretary